

Community Christian Church of Lincolnshire

The Memorial Woods

History
September 2008—July 2012

Tree trim & removal September 2008

Before construction could begin, the Davey Tree Company came to remove dead trees and the savable wood was cut into fireplace logs and arranged on a rack built by Jim DeWald.



Steve Gripper and Perry Grace observe the process.

Then, Jim, Steve & Perry start cutting and loading the rack with firewood.

Back in August of 2006 Davey Tree and the Village, at Village expense, removed trees, leveled what was fondly called Thompson Hill (dirt from excavating for the Sanctuary), and lay a drainage pipe. This accommodated work to prevent flooding in times of extraordinary rains. In return the church gave the Village of Lincolnshire access to the flood plane creek at any time. The Village also gave three spruce trees to the church to begin our reforestation and frame the entrance to the Memorial Woods.



Daffodil Planting October 2008

Mark McCormack helped the church secure daffodil bulbs at a good price, and Ginny Grace arranged a daffodil planting party. Participants were given bulbs and instructions and sent to a spray-painted circle. Holes were quite hard to dig, but drilling seemed to ease the burden.



Steffen & Linda Lyons with Granddaughter



Char Schwan, Perry Grace and the Larimer twins
Emelia and Sarah (2 of Char's grand-children)



Ping Wu with her daughter, Borchueh



Molly, Kory (Sr. Minister), and Sidney
Wilcoxson



Jonah, Dan & Zachary Hanson



Gina & Yuping Liu and
Marc McCormack



Beth McCormack



Lucy McCormack



Judy & Ruby Mankus



Kevin & Charlie Service

Building the South loop of the path and the Firepit - October 2008

Martin Associates (Designer Brian Jordison) implemented the first phase of the path and the Fire Pit.



Vegetation barrier was placed on the outer edge of the path and filled with woodchips.



Large Conversation Area



Seat wall and fire pit was constructed for the Memorial Woods to provide multi use of the area.



Spruce Trees purchased and planted May 2009

Again, thanks to Marc McCormack's connections, the church purchased spruce trees from Mariani. These trees were to provide a visual barrier for the neighbors as well as visitors to the Memorial Woods. Mina Rice Landscaping planted them and Perry Grace faithfully watered!



Looking west



Looking east



Looking South-west; trees
were planted west of the
fire pit.

Cleaned up and ready for trees and shrubs!



Ready for grass seed!



Large conversation area
awaiting benches

During **June of 2009**, 82 shrubs and trees were planted around the south loop of the path. All were purchased through Marc McCormack and planted by Mina Rice Landscaping, with assistance from Ginny Grace and Marc. It is truly amazing how many of these bare root plants thrived:

Annabelle Hydrangea

Burning Bush

Mohican Viburnum

Red Twig Dogwood

Witch Hazel

Redbud Trees

Serviceberry

Tina Crab Apple

In addition, Kendra Ro donated ferns, Ginny Grace some sedum and ajuga, Steffen and Linda Lyons Hostas and Lily of the Valley.



In **July of 2010** the northern half of the path was constructed and the southern half of the path was amended with additional crushed granite.





In preparation for the Ken Fisher Memorial, Mina Rice Landscaping was hired to weed, and prepare the soil and plant:

Pachysandra

3 Henry Sweet Spire shrubs

Hydrangea

And purchased a bench identical to the other 3 teak benches placed in the Memorial woods.

Later that year, the Fisher's grandchildren help plant spring bulbs.



Ken's memorial is one of the most peaceful spots in the Woods. The Memorial Committee truly appreciated Andrea's help in designing, and funding our first Memorial. Ken was an active supportive member of CCC throughout the years, and he, even when struggling with cancer, attended Village meetings in support of our project.

Hole dug
for the
Serviceberry



Marc McCormack donated the Serviceberry Tree planted in Ken's Memory. Above, Ken's daughter, Laura, and grand daughter, Amy Cooper, smooth the wood chips surrounding the tree.



October 2010

Ken's friends and family pose in and around his bench after the dedication, which was officiated by Nelson Irving, Minister Emeritus. Attendees include the Fishers, Kim Dollinger & Danny, the Coopers, Irvings, McCormacks, Graces, Marders and Gledhills.

Above Ken's family poses after the dedication. Clearly Shelly has inherited Ken's playful nature.

Back row: Shelly & Brian Cooper, Laura Fisher
Front row: Alex Cooper, Matt Fisher, Andy Fisher & Amy Cooper



In **May of 2012**, Jeanne Norton Austin's children, grand-children and Jeanne's brother, Lenny and his wife Helen gathered to dedicate a tree in Jeanne's memory. They were joined by some of Jeanne's close friends at CCC. Nelson Irving, Minister Emeritus, performed the dedication.

Jeanne was a founding member of CCC and member of the Memorial Committee.

The family purchased the plaque and plants which include: Autumn Blaze Maple Tree, three Minuet Wigelia shrubs, sedum, and spring bulbs (to be planted in the Autumn.) The hostas were given by Steffen & Linda Lyons.



In Memory of
Jeanne Norton Austin
6-22-1940 — 5-23-2007



Back row:

Lindsey, Andrew & Beth Austin, John Short, Lenny Norton, Nate & Rob Austin, Helen Norton, Tammy Austin, Saford & Kathy Wilson, Margaret Lyerly.

Front Row:

Susan, Maya & Noah Short, Ginny Grace, Barry Lyerly

Not pictured:

David Austin, Nelson & Ann Irving, Sean Bracken, Perry Grace, Bryan Elliott

When the tree was purchased for Jeanne's memorial, the Memorial Committee purchased and planted 4 additional trees, 2 Serviceberries and 2 more Autumn Blaze Maples. Each is guaranteed for 1 year, and have been marked with a rock. These trees are available for future memorials.

Jeanne Austin
Memorial

Pictured below is one of the
Serviceberry trees planted near
some hostas and a Burning Bush.

Ken Fisher
Memorial



Photos of the Memorial
Woods in June 2012

Here's a view of the fire pit
taken from the large
conversation area.

You can see some of the
service berries and red-bud
trees that were planted bare
root in 2009



The perennial border in the large conversation
area includes Hosta, Columbine, Hydrangea,
Lamb's Ears, Bee Balm, Salvia May Night,
Kansas Gay-feather, Sweet Woodruff, Daisies,
Veronica, Moonshine Yarrow and Black-eyed
Susan.

This spot was where we had wanted to build a
low wall columbaria. Unfortunately, the Village
wrote new law restricting columbaria to within
20 feet of the main building.



Andrea Fisher gave this pink Hydrangea for the
perennial border in the large conversation area.

In June 2012 the Davey Tree company treated 6 large Ash Trees for the devastating Emerald Ash Borer.

This treatment will have to be repeated every two years.

Brad McCumber of Davey Tree tags the treated Ash trees.

Mike of Davey Tree first drills holes, then injects the treatment, and finally plugs each hole. The size of this tree required 6 holes. It will take some time for the tree to absorb the chemical that will kill the larva.



Drilled hole



Pressure injection